97017-00169 (ETH-5089)

APR 0 2 2007 W

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

e patent application of John J. Price

Serial No.: 10/722,945

Confirmation No.: 9633

Filed: November 26, 2003

For:

ARMED SUTURE WITH ADHESIVELY ATTACHED

SURGICAL NEEDLE

Group Art Unit: 3731

Examiner: Melanie R. Tyson

I hereby certify that this correspondence and/or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on March 30, 2007

(date of deposit)

(Signature)

Date 1

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

EXTENSION PETITION

Sir:

The undersigned attorney respectfully petitions for a two-month extension of time to reset the deadline for response to the Office Action in the above-identified application from January 30, 2007 to and including March 30, 2007. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the associated \$450 fee to Deposit Account No. 501561. If there are any additional fees due as a result of this Amendment, including extension and petition fees, the Examiner is hereby authorized to charge them to Deposit Account No. 501561.

Respectfully submitted,

GREENBERG TRAURIG, LLP

By: Ralph W. Selitto, Jr.

Reg. No. 26,996

01 FC:1252

Greenberg Traurig, LLP 200 Park Avenue P.O. Box 677 Florham Park, NJ 07932 (973) 443-3550 - Voice (973) 295-1309 - Fax selittor@gtlaw.com

NJ 226179105v1 3/30/2007

04/03/2007 MWOLDGE1 00000076 501561

450. RO

450.00 DA

10722945